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Sriman BISWANATH DAS Mahasayo:—"May I know whether the Government have considered Police Orders Nos. 66 and 244 which lay down a definite procedure in such cases?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"There is no definite procedure with regard to these cases. The question was only one of terminating the probation as the person was found incompetent."

Sriman BISWANATH DAS Mahasayo:—"I am not now concerned with the competence or otherwise of the person. I want to know whether or not the definite procedure laid down in the Police Orders to which I just now referred was followed while terminating the probation of this man."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"As I have said, as far as this case is concerned, the question was only one of probation, whether the man was competent for the post for which he was appointed and, when he was found incompetent, his probation ceased."

Sriman BISWANATH DAS Mahasayo:—"Sir, I am sorry that my question has yet to be answered. What I want to know is whether the definite procedure laid down was followed in terminating the probation by the officers concerned. I am not concerned with the other aspects of the question."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"I suppose so, sir."

Alleged police vigilance over Mr. G. V. Ponniah Sastri.

* 7 *Q.*—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Mr. G. V. Ponniah Sastri was kept under police vigilance about January 1929 as he was attending to village improvement work in Bapatla taluk; and

(*b*) if so, what there was in his village work to which the Government had taken exception and why?

A.—(*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. P. ANJANEYULU:—"May I know if it is not a fact that in the months between January and June there was police vigilance on Mr. Ponniah Sastri?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"I must have notice of the question, Sir."

Alleged police surveillance on Mr. Abbas Ali Sahib.

* 8 *Q.*—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Janab Abbas Ali Sahib, a prominent Congressman of Dindigul and merchant, was under police surveillance during his journey to Madras on the 15th March last; and

(*b*) the reasons why he was so watched?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" With regard to (*a*), may I know whether this negative answer is the result of any enquiry instituted after the receipt of this question and, if so, what the nature of the enquiry was ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" Yes, Sir. We referred the question to the Inspector-General of Police and got a report from him."

Railways

Opening of the Trikannad flag station.

* 9 Q.—Mr. MAHMUD SCHAMNAD: Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Mukkavas of Trikannad have made representations to the Collector of South Kanara praying that the flag station at Trikannad which was recently closed should be opened ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that Trikannad was never a full-fledged station, but was a trial station having all along been in the experimental stage ; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that a permanent and a pakka station could not be built there as there was engineering difficulty such as a deep curve gradient, etc. ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Yes.
(*c*) The Government have no information.

Criminal Justice

Alleged enquiry under section 202, Criminal Procedure Code, on a complaint by one Guntaka Kesava Reddi.

* 10 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Mr. K. Ramachandra Rao, Sarishtadar-Magistrate of Markapur, Kurnool district, held an enquiry under section 202, Criminal Procedure Code, on a complaint made by one Guntaka Kesava Reddi ;

(*b*) whether he left his jurisdiction on a public holiday 12th January 1929 and went to Baddicherla ;

(*c*) whether he obtained necessary permission to leave the head-quarters ;

(*d*) whether he took with him the Assistant Superintendent of Police and the Sub-Inspector and constables ;

(*e*) whether he sat in the karnam's house and sent for one Bhavanam Nagi Reddi ;

(*f*) what conversation took place between the two ;

(*g*) whether the Sarishtadar took proceedings against Nagi Reddi for contempt of court and passed sentence of simple imprisonment ;

(*h*) whether an appeal was filed and the sentence admitted ;

(*i*) whether the said Nagi Reddi was further ill-treated on the said day 12th January 1929 by being handcuffed, carried in the motor-car of the Assistant Superintendent and put into jail at Markapur ;

(*j*) whether the said Nagi Reddi filed a petition to the District Magistrate setting forth these matters ; and

(*k*) what steps were taken thereon ?